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Dear Mr. Fogarty:

This letter is in response to your communication received 14 September 2007, requesting the status of the Filing Receipt for U.S. national application **10/585,512**.

The United States Designated Office/Elected Office (DO/EO) has docketed the U.S. national application for preparation of the Filing Receipt. However, the USPTO is currently experiencing a backlog of applications awaiting examination. The filing receipt should issue in due course. The appropriate personnel of the Designated Office/Elected Office (DO/EO) to which this application has been assigned have been notified of your request.

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